

## Wonderful Water (Yikes! There's Water in the Computer!)

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Curriculum Area	Science
Subject Area	Matter
Grade Level	Kindergarten
Learning Objectives	The student will be able to describe the different forms of water.
	The student will be able to describe objects that float and sink.
	• The student will be able to describe the natural downhill flow of water.
Correlation to the	Science K.5
SOL	C/T 5.2, 5.4
Video/Technology	For class:
Hardware/Software	Multimedia computer
Needed	Computer Projector System
	Printer (optional)
	Presentation software (such as HyperStudio or PowerPoint or ClarisWorks)
	Digital Camera
Materials Required	For class:
	Small objects that float or sink (paper, ball of aluminum foil, blocks, corks, nails,
	pennies, etc.; small pan of water
	Reference weather pictures (clouds, rain, ocean, etc.)
<b>Procedures/Activities</b>	1. Teacher preparation: Prepare a <i>HyperStudio</i> stack of blank pages with
	connecting buttons, or set up a blank <i>PowerPoint</i> presentation or <i>ClarisWorks</i>
	slideshow.
	2. Have the students do simple experiments to determine whether familiar
	materials sink or float. Take digital pictures of the objects. Put the (small)
	pictures into the stack on one of the pages, and let the children label them """ on "floot". I shale may be done with trying, on with recorded voices.
	"sink" or "float". Labels may be done with typing, or with recorded voices.  3. Take pictures of weather phenomena as it occurs (rain, snow, fog, etc.), use
	scanned images, or use images from the Internet. Insert those pictures into the
	presentation, with labels and/or explanations from the students. Let the
	students describe the water state (liquid, solid) in the pictures using typing,
	recorded voices, or dictation.
	4. For the third part of the presentation, have the students make drawings of
	water pouring from a cup, or waterfalls, or their own ideas. Let the students
	draw arrows on their pictures to show the direction of the flow of water.

	5. As a class, agree on a title and final format of the presentation. Be sure to let
	the students put their names in the credits!
Content Assessment	Checklist and observation:
	Did the students put appropriate labels in the presentation?
	Do their drawings indicate an understanding of the topic?
Technology	Checklist and observation:
Integration	Were the students able to use drawings and labels effectively to communicate the
Assessment	concepts in the presentation?
Extensions	Art: Print the student's water pictures onto iron-on transfer paper, and transfer
	the pictures onto squares of fabric. Make a class Water Quilt.
	Music: Have the students make and record rhythmical water sounds, such as
	water dripping, splashing, bubbling, crunching footsteps in snow, ringing a spoon
	against ice, or rain coming from a downspout. Play back the sounds and do an
	original water dance.
	Social Studies: Look at pictures of boats made by people in different Native
	American cultures (don an Internet search!). Talk about what the boats are made
	of (logs, reeds, etc.) and compare them to the results of your experiments.